

JUNE 12, 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS  
AGENCY

In confirmation of our discussions on 11 June 1958, you and ourselves are agreed that the FY 59 development program for Weapons System 117L will be programmed at a level requiring financial support in the amount of approximately \$197 million. It is understood that the \$152 million currently identified in the ARPA budget for the support of the project will be augmented as follows:

The Air Force will provide to ARPA, for application to the 117L program, \$12 million currently programmed to buy THOR boosters. These boosters will be used in the early experimentation for Weapons System 117L development. An additional \$8 million will be allocated to the Weapons System 117L development from resources available to ARPA. This leaves \$25 million which the Air Force will provide to ARPA through reprogramming of resources in the Air Force budget and transfer of funds. Specific funds will be earmarked for this purpose prior to the time of finalization of the FY 59 spending program.

The net result, if such a program is approved by the Secretary of Defense in the request for which we will be glad to join with you, is that the program previously set forth in detail to your office and labeled as a \$185 million program would be the one formally adopted. The difference between the \$197 million referred to above and the \$185 million is that in presenting in the past this latter program it had been overlooked that the \$12 million of THOR boosters available in our budget were included. The Air Force believes that it is of the highest national importance that the program on which we have now agreed be approved and appreciates that if the program continues well it should be reviewed during the year to consider whether it might be desirable or feasible for you to request emergency funds to enable the program to be accelerated further.

Signed

Malcolm A. MacIntyre  
Under Secretary

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